Amendment to the Abstract:

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

ABSTRACT

Heretofore, in a dispersed energy supplying system, the unit cost of energy generated in houses and the unit rate of energy bought from an electric power company, etc. have been compared, but consideration has never been made of environmental burden.

There are provided A dispersed energy supply system includes a controlling portion 11 of controlling the operation of a fuel cell, a switch 30-of selectively supplying the electric power of the fuel cell or an external electric power into an electric power load, an electric power generation unit cost calculating portion 13-of calculating the electric power generation cost of the fuel cell, an electric rate system storing portion 14-of calculating the cost of a power plant 50-and a dispersed electric power generating apparatus—51, an LCA data storing portion 16-of storing LCA data of the fuel cell, the power plant 50-and the dispersed electric power generating apparatus—51, and a user interface portion 20-of presenting electric power generation cost, external electric power cost and LCA data and allowing the user to determine the controlling operation of the aforementioned controlling portion 11-and/or the selecting operation of the switch-11.

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